# TOUNTS HIS SON - AS DEAD

ARONOWITZ'S FIRST BORN WEDS WITHOUT THE FAITH.

"Followers of the Hible" Deem It a Sir and a Curse to Marry an Orthodox Jew-Rahel Has Done That and Has Turned From His Father's Faith.

Heap ashes on the head of Mortche Aronowitz, the Karaite, and his cup fill up with bitter herbs. Pluck the hairs from gray beard one by one and spit upon his doorstep. Revile him in the fish marset and make mouths at him on the stree corner. For that his eldest son Rahel did esterday bring the head of his father to he dust in shame and did marry Anna, laughter of Hyman Hoffman.

For that Rahel, forsaking the faith of his fathers, which had remained steadfast against the false belief of the peoples alsely calling themselves sons of Abrahan through these hundreds of years of the nd bondage, did accept the faith of those people falsely calling themselves the only and the orthodox Jews and did take into himself a wife from their midst; that e did stand in the synagogue of the misbelievers and under the Huppah did pledge timeelf by worthless and unrighteous ledges to a daughter of a rabbinical Now Mortche Aronowitz, the triarch of the ten loyal families of the followers of the Bible" in America stands ereft of a son. He knows Rahel no longer

The marriage was made in Golden Star Hall at 81 Columbia street at 6 o'clock ast night. Hyman Hoffman, the father the bride, was there to witness, also the er of the bride and the grandmother d aunts and uncles—all of kin. There a wedding feast; there was dancing the music of fiddles. An orthodox of the orthodox faith gave the union countenance and read the words from the nd Anna Hoffman man and wife. All was well in Golden Star Hall.

But in the little front room on the fourth at Mortche Aronowitz, the father, of the tenement at 73 Avenue C hands were-folded in his lap and is eyes were shut. His daughter Rosa younger son Aaron moved on tipoe as if they were in the house of the dead. bey would not disturb their father in his urning of one who was as dead.

It was the weight of hundreds of ye at bore upon the shoulders of the patrich. It was the barrier of a faith broken that rose between himself and his firstborn. The struggle that had been for ries between rabbis and peoples of the same stock who read differently the ddles of the prophets and lawgivers as the struggle that tore the heart of

For he is a "Follower of the Bible," salled Karaite by the orthodox Jews. He is a schismatic of 15,000 schismatics—all there are in the world of those pious Jews who are hated of their fellow Jews and who in turn hate the followers of the Talmud as betrayers of the faith of Abraham. All of the 15,000 Karaites save the double score who live is Now York. double score who live in New York are living in Lithuania and the Rumanian provinces; there are ten familes of them here, and over these Mortche Aronowitz is the patriarch. They have no rabbi they have no synagogue; each head of a house-reads the prayers for his family. Aronowitz, being the cldest of the ten heads, is spiritually over the other nine, and to the front room of his flat on Avenue C the others come for congregational

worship.

Rabel, the firstborn of the house of Aronowitz, saw the light in Panovich, Russia, where his father was a member of a little community of Karaitee. He came to America when he was yet an infant with his father and his mother; his brother and sister were born here. All the more because of his birth in the community of the "Followers of the Bible" should Rahel have been strong in the faith of his fathers. All the more should he have remembered the bitter he have remembered the bitter ds of years that had passed since the teacher, and Benjamin altheir proclaimed purity of faith. All the more should Rahel bave known that it was a sin and a curse for a Karaite to marry a daughter of them who call them-rally sorthodox. He should have dreaded the thought of being the only one of the little band of the faithful here in this w land thus to violate the laws of his

the year 780 of the Christian calce the year 780 of the Christian selendar, when Anan, the founder of the achism from the orthodox faith, is believed to have died, down to the present there have not been two dozen men, so said Rosa Aronowitz yesterday, who have dared to violate the laws of their spot and to take to wife one from the synagogue of the orthodox. Yet Rahel dared

Since Mortche Aronowitz and his smily came to this country, twenty-six sars ago, they have lived lives of exile meng people of their own blood. None if the community fellowship of the East lide has been theirs to share. They are borne their sorrows alone and their ew joys have not even been the subject of congratulation by the neighbors across he hall. Because they were cut off from the hall. Because they were cut off from all their kind by the laws of their faith and by the detestation of all who attended the synagogues about them Mortohe Assnowitz and his children had to find Associated about them all to find their comforts of love and fellowship within the narrow circle of their own four walls. There was never such love of a father for his children, of children for their father, Rosa said this yesterday. Hahel is a painter—a house painter. He is also a progressive Jew. He loves nothing of the memory of Russia and of the stock of custom and tradition that came over with him when he was a baby. He wants to be an American. He had his education in an Americans. He had his education in an American school, for the Talmud schools of the East Side were not for him. He was reading modern books all the time and talking of things of this new world. The great sorrow for Mortche Aronowitz

came about six months ago, when Rahel told his father that he was in love with Anna. Hefiman and that he meant to marry her. The father was kind with the boy at first—so Rosa says—and the father kied to argue, tried to persuade from that he must not soil the honor of his father and of his father's fathers by marrying a woman of the misbelievers. The father even offered to give passage money to any girl of the Karaites back in Russia who would wish to come over and marry his son. He said that he would consult with the rabbis of the faith in Panovich and have them select a good girl who would come over here and marry Hahel. But Rahel persisted.

Mortche Aronowitz tried to believe

Mortche Aronowitz tried to believe that in the end his son would remain loyal. He lived day after day in the faith that no flesh of his flesh could stain the fame of the household and bring dishonor upon the gray hairs of a father. The last blow came recently when Rahel went to his father and told him that he had abandoned the faith of the "followers by the Bible" and had entered an orthodox synagogue as a true member of the orthosynagogue as a true member of the ort saying that he could not marry his Anna inless he became of Anna's faith, for she was orthodox and her father was a feacher in a Talmud school.

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HISTORIANS MEET TO-DAY. pening Session of Learned Societies

Convention at Carnegie Hall. More than a thousand students of political economy and history are in New York o-day to attend the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration of the American Historical Association and the American Economic Association. More than fifty meetings, conferences and joint sessions will be held from December 27 to December 31, mainly at Columbia University. Ten learned societies are holding their

annual meetings in this city this week. The programme for to-day commence with a luncheon tendered to 250 delegates by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at 1 P. M. At 2:30 P. M. in the mbly hall of the Metropolitan Building President William G. Sumner of the American Sociological Society, acting resident S. N. D. North of the American Statistical Association and President John H. Finley of the American Social Science Association will deliver their presidential addresses. At 3 P. M. various meetings of the committees of the American Historical Association will be

heid.

This evening at 8 o'clock at Carnegie Hall a great opening meeting will be held, which President Tatt, Gov. Hughes, Mayor McClellan, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler and Joseph H. Choate will address. Admission to this meeting is by ticket until 8:20 o'clock, when the doors will be open to the general public.

The meetings of the ten societies bring to New York this week a remarkable group of scholars. Among those who will read papers are the following:

President Albert Bushnell Hart, American Dewey, American Economic Association: Political Science Association; President Henry W. Farnham, American Association for Labor Legislation; E. M. Parker, Har-vard University; E. A. Harriman, Yale University; Ernest Freund, University of Chicago: F. J. Goodnow, Columbia University; Harold S. Bowman, New York; Richard T. Ely, University of Wisconsin; Arthur T. Hadley, Yale University; Albert Shaw, New York; J. Laurence Loughlin, University of Chicago; James Bonar, deputy master of the Canadian branch of the Royal Eduard Meyer, Berlin, Germany; Camille Enlart, Paris, France; H. T. Colenbrander, Voorburg, Holland; R. Altamira, Oviedo Spain; Richard S. Childs, New York; Arthu crosby Ludington, New York: Charles A. Beard, Columbia University; Henry Janes Ford, Princeton University; A. R. Hatton, Reserve University; Elliott H Boodwin, National Civil Service Reform League; John Bates Clark, Columbia University; Simon Nelson Patten, University of Pennsylvania; Frank Albert Fetter, Cornell University; Frank William Taussig, Harvard University: George Ray Wicker, Dartmouth College; Leon Carroll Marshall, University of Chicago, and Jacob H. Hollander, Johns

F. C. AGENS'S HOUSE ON FIRE Valuable Furnishings Burned and Building Damaged Badly.

The home of Col. Frederick C. Agent was badly damaged by fire yesterday. Brio-à-brac, tapestries, carpets and ru

which had been gathered all over the world were destroyed.

The fire was discovered about 10 o'clock while members of the family were in the upper part of the house. Smoke was seen coming up the front stairway from the basement and an alarm was sounded.

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# CHINESE WEDDING

Henry Chang, Son of the Minister, Weds Isabel Tong, Daughter of Tong Shao Yl. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- Miss Isabel Tong, second daughter of Tong Shao Yi, the special Ambassador sent by China last year to thank the United States for and wendi, his disciple, brought a remission of the Boxer indemnity, and of the children of Zion back into and Henry Chang, only son of Chang Yin Tang, the new Chinese Minister, were married at the Chinese Legation here yesterday. Former Secretary of State John W. Foster and Mrs. Foster were the only Americans present, the other guests bidden to witness the ceremony being the members of the legation staff and a number of Chinese friends of Minister Chang Yin Tang from New Consul at San Francisco, who with his wife and daughter made a flying trip across the continent to attend.

Yung Kwai, Second Secretary of the Legation, attended the young bridegroom, and Mrs. Yung Kwai, who is an American, was matron of honor for the downstairs, wearing, as did all the men of his country present, full dress robes. Six young girls followed him, all in Oriental costumes, four in pale blue and two in pink. They were the two sisters of the bridegroom, Miss Lily Chang and Miss Alice Chang; the two sisters of the bride, Miss Emily Tong and Miss May Tong.

Miss Emily Tong and Miss May Tong, and the two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Yung Kwai, Miss Elizabeth Kwai and Miss Gertrude Kwai.

Then came the bride, accompanied by Mrs. Chang, mother of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Yung Kwai. The bride was richly gowned in silk of varied huse and wore many jewels. The bridegroom was in full court dress and wore a big red hat. The ceremony took place in the drawing room and was simple and impressive, the bride and bridegroom kneeling upon a large square of red satin, while they offered homage to the Supreme Beng, to their ancestors and to the parents of the bridegroom. Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

The mnister and his household and guests observed the day in American fashion, with a large Christmas tree celebration.

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Henry Chang was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania last June. He returned to China and accompanied his parents to this country. He has been much in America and is thoroughly progressive, with a perfect knowledge of the English language. His bride, who is 19 years of age, is highly educated and speaks English well. The date for their marriage was set before they left China, the day being selected from the Chinese calendar without regard to its being the Christian Christmas Day. It is probable that Mr. Chang and his bride will take a prominent part in social life here. The sisters of the bride, who came with her to this country, arriving with the Minister and Mme. Chang, will continue their studies here. continue their studies here

# Admiral George Dewey Celebrates His

72d Birthday. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Admiral George Dewey celebrated his seventy-second birthday to-day quietly, receiving callers saying that he could not marry his Anna minless he became of Anna's faith, for the was orthodox and her father was a teacher in a Talmud school.

The end, that was. Rahel was cast from the sight of his father, and to-day he is as sone dead in the house of Aronowitz.

For that reason last night after the shour of the wedding in Golden Star Hall Mortche Aronowitz sat in the little front room of the tenement apartment on Ayenue C, his hands folded on his lap and his eyes closed. Rosa and Aaron moved on tiptce, for they were in the house of the dead.

To-day Admiral Dewey was compelled on account of ill health to forego the birth-day dinner he had given to his friends each year since his return from the Spanish war by way of celebrating the anniversary of his birth. For the same reason he did not have a dinner this year.

To-day Admiral Dewey is ten years beyond the age of retirement for a navy officer. The special act passed by Congress which conferred on him the rank of Admiral in the navy provided that he should remain on the active list for life. from among his old friends in the service

THE POSTMAN HAS HIS SAY

YEAR'S WORK IN MR. HITCH-COCK'S DEPARTMENT.

aggestion That the Loss on Second Class Mall Matter Be Cut by Rearranging the Classification—Postal Notes of Values Up to \$10 Recommended.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Some idea. the size of the postal service of the United States and the magnitude of its business can be gained from a brief review of the salient facts disclosed by the Postmaster-General's annual report. These figures show that the service now has about 325,000 employees and that these employees handled during the last fiscal year nearly 14,000,000,000 pieces of mail. The number of post offices in operation is 60,144. There are 26,852 domestic transportation routes, aggregating 448,618 miles in length, with an annual travel of 542,-151,121 miles. A delivery service by carrier is provided on 40,628 rural routes and in 1,440 cities and towns.

Ordinary postage stamps to the number of 8,712,907,031 were sold during the year and domestic money orders to the value of \$491,074,844 were issued. The total receipts for the fiscal year 1909 were \$203.562.383.07, an increase of 6.31 per cent. over the receipts of the previous year. The total expenditures amounted to \$221,004,102.89, an increase of 6.07 per

When the present postal administration entered on the discharge of its duties last March it was confronted with the largest deficit in the history of the Department. The excess of expenditures over receipts for the fiscal year 1909 proved to be \$17,441,719.82. To this sum should be added postal funds lost by fire, burglary, &c., to the amount of \$38,050.65, making a total deficit of \$17,-479,770.47.

Recent investigations have shown that the two great sources of loss to the postal revenues are second class mail matter and rural delivery. The loss on second class mail matter

has been increasing for many years. until it now amounts to \$64,000,000 The loss from rural delivery, a service begun hardly a dozen years ago and of dented growth, reaches as high

an \$28,000,000. The most striking fact disclosed by recent investigations is the tremendous oss on account of second class mail. While this class of mail provides a revenu of little more than 1 cent a pound, the cost to the Government for its handling and transportation averages 9.23 cents

Magazines and other periodical pub ications exclusive of daily newspapers comprise about 60 per cent. of the secnd class mail. The magazines alone form about 20 per cent. While the average haul of magazines proper is over 1,000 miles and that of other classes of periodicals, not including daily newspapers, ranges from 550 to over 1,100 miles, the haul of daily newspapers, which comprise about 40 per ent, of the second class mail, averages ess than 300 miles. The cost of transportation by rail and by other means forms slightly more than a third of the total expense of handling second class mail. Magazines proper, because of quick action the proprietor got his har the long average haul, show a cost of out of the way of the blackjack, he a

the long average haul, show a cost of more than 5 cents a pound for transportation, while in the case of daily newspapers, for which the average distance of distribution is much less, the transportation cost is less than two cents a pound.

In view of these conditions the question arises how far the length of haul should be regarded in fixing rates of postage for second class matter. The fact that the average transportation distance for magazines and other periodicals, is so much greater than that for daily newspapers has led to the suggestion that the former class of publications be charged a higher rate out of the way of the blackjack, he assured the Magistrate.

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"It was Breen that had the blackjack, are to the policeman. "He tried to on the left side of my face. Your Honor an see where my face is cut and is swollen."

"This was what I hit him with." said the saloon keeper as he held up his right fist. "When I dodged the blackjack I shot out my fist and gave it to him on the jaw. The ring on my little finger cut the skin of his face. The blow staggered him and after a time he eleft the place. In an hour he came back and arrested me."

"It was more that had the blackjack."

of publications be charged a higher rate of postage than the latter.

Another plan that recognizes the length of haul as an important element in fixing second class postage is the establishment of a zone system under which a given rate could be charged to all points within a certain radius from the office of mailing and a higher rate to points beyond the limits of the zone. For convenience in carrying out this plan zone boundaries could be fixed conforming to the State lines that most nearly approximate a given radius.

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Inquiries are being instituted for the purpose of determining whether any reductions can be made in the losses on account of third class and free mail. The annual loss on third class mail is something over \$3,000,000. The mail matter carried free under Congressional franks costs the Government annually about a half million dollars. A greater loss, about two and a quarter millions annually, results from the free handling of official mail for executive departments other than the Post Office Department. The annual cost of handling the free official mail of the Post Office Department is estimated at about three million dollars.

On the whole it is believed that post offices perform their work satisfactorily, meeting in a creditable manner the exacting demands of the public. In one respect, however, this branch of the service is susceptible of marked improvement. It needs a more effective system of supervision. Over 60,000 offices scattered throughout the length and breadth of the land are directly dependent on the department at Washington for instructions, for authority to make expenditures and for supplies.

It would seem to be an excellent plan to make large city post offices the centres of convenient postal areas by giving city postmasters supervisory authority over the smaller offices of the principal part of their accounting work but by permitting closer supervision of their affairs it would greatly facilitate the introduction in such offices of more systematic and businesslike methods. The city postmaster having supervision of each postal area of this kind would be responsible directly to the officer in charge of the larger postal district in which his post office fell.

The Department's recommendation for the establishment of postal savings banks is renewed.

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Our mail service to Frazil and Argentina and to the Orient and Australasia is wholly dependent upon vessels over whose sailings the Department has no control. Of the vessels carrying mails to the Orient more than 70 per cent. fly foreign flags, while not a single steamship now carrying our mails to Australasia and to South America, avenut the north coast flies the ing our mails to Australasia and to South America, except the north coast flies the American flag. Contracts for service to these countries cannot be secured under the present law. More liberal remuneration is necessary. The passage of an act to authorize the Postmaster-General to pay for ocean mail service in vessels of pay for ocean mail service in vessels of pay for ocean mail service in vessels of the second class on routes to South Amer-ica, the Philippines, Japan, China and Australasia, 4,000 miles or more in length, at a rate per mile not exceeding rates ap-plicable to vessels of the first class, would enable the Department to secure such

enable the Department to secure such contract service.

To provide a simple and cheap means of transmitting small sums through the mails and to lessen the use of coins, bills and postage stamps for that purpose it is recommended that a form of postal note or check be adopted, similar to the present money order, but issued for lower fees without written application in fixed denominations less that \$10.

UNEMPLOYED WOMEN.

Mrs. Stewart Proposes That the How Committee Help Them Too. Mrs. Ethel H. Stewart, president of the Women's Municipal Ownership League, appeared at the regular Sunday after noon meeting in 41 Bowery of the unemployed committee yesterday with a plan for cooperation with the committee. Mrs. Stewart proposes to have meetings of unemployed women on week days at 41 Bowery, where they can gather and have a free lunch after hearing speeches, as do the unemployed men. It decided to refer her plan to J. Eads How, chairman of the unemployed committee, who, is now in St. Louis, when he returns

to this city.

Mrs. Stewart has established a lodging house for poor or homeless women at 30 Bayard street. Ifke the 10 and 15 cent a night lodging houses for men on the Bowery, charging the same rates, and with the help of some wealthy women has opened a cheap restaurant for wome next door to the hall of the unemployed committee. She said last evening: "I cannot see why unemployed women have not as good a right to be cared for

"I cannot see why unemployed women have not as good a right to be cared for as unemployed men. I have attended a number of the meetings of unemployed men under the auspices of Mr. How's committee and I think the whole affair could be put on a more practical basis. As matters are run now, little can be accomplished toward getting work for the unemployed, both men and women. My proposition would be a combination of my plan and the plan of the unemployed committee by which there would be entertainments as well as talk for the unemployed. I would propose meetings once or twice a week, the unemployed men to meet one day and the unemployed women another day. With the assistance of some other women I am establishing a free employment bureau for women. We are getting in touch with employers of typewriters, stenoggraphers, clerks and others."

Mrs. Stewart thought that if cooperation were established between her agency and that of Mr. How something practical could be done for the unemployed, both men and women.

The unemployed men who met at 41 Bowery yesterday, got off with one speech, by Alexander Law, secretary of the unemployed committee, so that they were able to tackle the free lunch an hour earlier than usual.

BLACKIJACK OR FIST?

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Policeman and Saloonkeeper Accuse Each

Other After a Christmas Night. Did the saloon keeper blackjack the diceman or the policeman blackjack the saloon keeper? The puzzle was submitted to Magistrate Herbert in the Yorkville police court vesterday when James Breen who keeps a place of entertainment at 359 Third avenue was charged with assault by Detective William Demp-sey of the East Twenty-second street station.

On Saturday night while Breen and his free lunch man were busy handing out morsels of Christmas turkey and tankards of cheer three policemen in plain clothes entered. They were Dempsey, Dondero and Duane. After having had several drinks, so Breen says, Dempsey remarked that his brother had been assaulted in that saloon a year ago. The saloonist replied that it was before his time; that he moved in six months ago. What followed the dialogue is a matter of dispute. The saloonkeeper says there's a dent in his bar that is open to his Honor's inspection if the Court will visit his place. The dent, he declares, was made by a blackjack in the right hand of Policeman Dempsey, a muscular young man. By

me."
"It was more than hour," said Dempsey.
"I went to Bellevue and had my face attended to first."
Sailor Harcourt testified that Dempsey tried to hit the saloon keeper with a black-jack and was knocked down with a fist blow.
Dempsey got an adjournment until to-day to summon Policemen Dondero and Duane to testify for him.

### PLY MOUTH CHURCH WINDOWS The Rev. Newell D. Hillis Dedicates Eight More Historical Presentations.

Eight historical windows designed by rederick S. Lamb were dedicated in the Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, by the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis yesterday morning. These windows complete a series of nineteen which have been placed in the church in the last two years and which depict the influence of Puritanism upon the Republic. One of the windows "Roger Williams at Providence," was presented by Lord Northcliff in recognition of the American window in Shake peare's Church at Stratford. The other

peare's Church at Stratford. The others are memorial windows.

The light was just strong enough yesterday to bring out the beauties of the daring crimsons and restful purples, the soft greens and lavenders which Mr. Lamb has put in his glass.

Around the walls of the old fashioned church are Thomas Hooker and his companions on their way to settle Hartford. William Penn is shown submitting a draft of the first constitution of Pennsylvania to his colleagues, and in the next window the Huguenots of the Carolinas are kneeling in evening prayer. The haystack meeting of Williams College students, where American missions began: the landing of Jonas Michaelius, New York's first minister: Marcus Whitman pleading before President Tyler for the retention of Oregon Territory, and Manassas Cutler crossing the Appalachian Range—all these windows shed their many colors across the straight backed, prim pews in one of which Lincoln once sat to hear Mr. Beecher preach.

# NECK BROKEN FIVE MONTHS.

| Juries Received in July Last. Mrs. Sarab Fenton, 83 years old, died the result of a fall downstairs at her home on July 31 last, when she broke her neck. When the woman was admitted to the hospital it was not believed she would live long on account of her age and the nature of the injury. Her neck was placed in a "soft cast." Mrs. Fenton lived at 252 Clifton avenue. At the time of the accident she started for the yard from her rooms when she stumbled on the stairs.

Prof. Leverrier Here to Lecture. Charles Leverrier, professor of philosophy in the University of Paris, arrived yesterday by the French liner La Touand in the chief cities of the country for the Alliance Française on "Innovafor the Alliance Française on "Innovations of the Stage in France in the Nineteenth Century." Prof. Leverrier is the son of Jean Joseph Leverrier, the astronomer. Mrs. Leverrier is with her husband. She has won distinction as an amateur actrees and has written plays under the name of M. L. Girault. She organized here on a previous visit at a settlement home on the West Side a dramatic circle under the direction of the Alliance Française.

# RED VIEW OF WHITE SLAVERY

EMMA GOLDMAN TALKS OF ITS CAUSES IN AMERICA.

Best Way to Treat the Question Is Not to Legislate Against It-Women Brought From Abread Because New York ls a Foreign City-Men Slaves Too.

Emma Goldman, who is about to start on a tour to elevate the West, delivered her final lecture in New York before going last evening in the Women's Trade Union Hall in West Twenty-second street. Her subject was the white slave traffic. Admission was 25 cents. Men and wome from youth to gray hairs heard her, and so did at least one girl whose hair was hanging down her back in a braid. "Our reformers," said the speaker,

have suddenly discovered some that all the world has long known-the white slave traffic. It is very significant that although prostitution has existed probably since the world began and every child in New York probably knows it exits, yet very little has been said about it till lately. Why is this? Whenever the public mind is to be distracted from some great social wrong the reformers always raise a hullaballoo over some side

"It seems to me that the reformers are the hyenas of our capitalistic social regime; they circle around and howl and finally devour the victims. The labor conditions in America in the last few years have become so terrible that it is hard to discuss them. The reformers discuss first one thing and then another to distract attention from the main issue, the main trouble anything to give the baby people a toy issue to keep them diverted a little while. They won't go to the bottor of the cause. There is such a thing as economic prostitution. Prostitution is the result of economic slavery. The people who are responsible for it are those will not separate from the present eco- ing teachers of English in the New York nomic régime-not the cadets nor the importers of women nor the prostitutes

"Now we have heard that women are imported in the white slave traffic to New York, imported from Europe. I don't know what would become of America if she didn't have Europe to lay all evils to. You are so virtuous, you Americans. If you could not lay these things to Europe you'd he so very virtuous it would be impossible to get along with you. Welf, it must be admitted that some women are imported here, just as men are imported for the lumber camps on promises that they will soon become rich and then are kept in slavery in those camps on a few dollars a week. But the reason that the majority of women in prostitution in New York are foreign is that New York is a foreign city. In other cities, in Denver St. Louis, Cincinnati, even in cities where women vote, the majority are native Americans.

"The agitation over the white Slave

"The agitation over the white Slave traffic is only another attempt to open places for political parasites, to make more places for political job hunters. We know that even our President has lately recommended \$50,000 to be spent on this traffic. Why? Merely to give fat jobs to political hangerson who won't do useful work. Of course they will discover anything to keep their jobs. Pass this law and you'll drive her into greater vengeance than she now wreaks, and her ability to do so is undoubted. She can poison the whole social body.

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ability to do so is undoubted. She can poison the whole social body.

"The cadet system was created by the police when by excessive demands in graft they drove the girls to the streets, where they found it necessary to find and support a man as the only possible person who will go to the police station in their behalf and keep them from being ground to pieces. The police are responsible for the introduction of the cadet.

"The only possible thing under present conditions that can be done is to let the prostitute alone as they do in other coun-

prostitute alone as they do in other countries, to show her a greater humanity, to let her see that she is a part of our great family life. As long as horse stealing was punishable by death in England horses were stolen. The crime diminished when the law was modified. Let prostitutes alone and their number will decrease and atone and their number will decrease and the evil will diminish."

Miss Goldman then asked that a collec-tion be taken for the shirtwaist workers on strike and said that what each person in that audience gave would go further though it were of smaller amount than the gifts of Mrs. Belmont, because it would

of Mrs. Belmont, because it would BOY STRANGELY MURDERED. Body Bearing Many Wounds Found in

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.-The mutilated body of James Lawrence Friel, a fourteen-year-old schoolboy of the Side, was discovered in a vacant house in the River avenue slum district late

this afternoon. The throat had been cut and there were several gaping knife wounds in the body. His hands and feet had been securely bound with ropes by the murderers, and there was evidence that the murder had not been committed at the place where the body was found but that the body had been brought into the vacant house after life was extinct.

Seventy-five detectives have been on the case by Chief of Police McQuade. and more than twenty persons who could not give good accounts of themselves have been put under arrest.

George F. Friel, father of the murdered boy, is well to do. Young Friel, who was one of the bright pupils of the School of the Epiphany, left his home on the ening of Monday, December 13, saying he would return in an hour. Since then he was not seen alive by any one who knew him.

The old house at 804 River avenue,

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The old house at 804 River avenue, where the body was found this afternoon by some boys hunting firewood, is more than a mile from the home of the Friels. The house faces the waterfront, sitting back from the street, and has not been occupied for many years.

The police are inclined to think young Friel was killed by a band of thieves said to have infested that part of the North Side recently. Friel, who was very fond of reading detective novels and who played often at the detective business, is thought possibly to have stumbled on to a clew which led him fato the den of thieves somewhere on the North Side and it is thought he was murdered by them.

TEN SEEK M'LAURIN'S SEAT. Many Candidates for Vacant Mississippi

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 26.-Formal announcements made up to the present show that ten candidates have entered the race to succeed the late United State the race to succeed the late United States Senator A. J. McLaurin. The ten candi-dates are C. P. Alexander and former Governors James K. Vardaman and A. H. Longino of Jackson; J. S. Sexton, Hazlehurst; Charles Scott, Rosedale; Leroy Perry, Greenville; C. C. Dunn, Meridian; Eaton J. Bowers, Bay St. Louis; E. S. Candler, Jr., Corinth, and Ben G. Hum-phreys, Greenville. phreys, Greenville.

Bowers, Candler and Humphreys are members of the House of Representa-

Seward Webbs Cancel Festivities.

It was announced last night that on ecount of the grave condition of H.

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Will Hold a Three Day Convention in This City This Week.

The New York State Association of Teachers of English will hold its annual ssions on December 28, 29 and 30 at the Teachers College in conjunction with the State Teachers Association. The programme is one of unusual interest devoted to a discussion of the most vital problems connected with high school English. On Tuesday morning, Decem ber 28, at 11 o'clock the presidential address will be given by Mr. Percival Chubb of the Ethical Culture School on "The Menace of Pedantry in the Teach-

The topic "What the Colleges Should Demand of the High School in the Matter of Literature" will be discussed on Tuesday afternoon by Prof. Wilbur F. Cross, Yale University, and several of the leadand up-State schools. On Wednesday the subject "What Should the Colleges the subject "What Should the Colleges Ask of the High School in the Matter of Composition" will be introduced by Prof. J. H. Gardiner of Harvard University and discussed in twenty minute papers by several teachers. On Wednesday afternoon "The Examination in English" will be considered and interesting papers are promised on this subject also by other teachers. At the closing sessions on Thursday the first theme will be "Some Things Which the Colleges and the State Examinations Do Not Require," which will be dealt with by some who have experimented in lines other than those generally followed in our high schools. The closing papers will treat of the "Equipment and Interests of the Teacher of English," on which theme Prof. John Erskine of Columbia University and J. P. O'Hearn of Rochester will be heard.

ing of English."

CELESTE, GIRL DETECTIVE. e Guides Police Into & Rump

Catch an Alleged Villain A fourteen-year old girl hurried up to Policemen Ferguson and Veth at Mott and Grand streets last night. She pulled their

eleeves eagerly and cried: "The man, the man, I have found the man who shot my uncle!" They listened to her story; how he

uncle, Giovanni Digregario, had been shot and beaten at midnight on December 12; how she, Celeste Digregario, had felt that Domenico Terri, an enemy of her uncle, had done it; bow she had gathered information here and there and hunted Terri until she found him.

Then the policemen picked up two more Then the policemen picked up two more; Reilly and Morrissy, and followed the girl to the top floor of a murky tenement at 102 Mott street. They found a room crowded with Italian men and women. Celeste wasted no time.

"There is the man!" she cried, pointing to a young fellow sitting near the stove.

The Italian did not even take his pipe from his mouth, but the women raged.

from his mouth, but the women raged, the of them seized the girl by the hair and began to beat her while two or three others made for the policemen. Tables, chairs and began to vertice of the policement. and beds were overturned, other tenants came growding in, but the policemen held to their prisioner and took him and their guide safe to the street. The crowd that followed them was reenforced at every landing. In the street flats and clubs flew. More policemen helped get the prisioner to the Elizabeth street station house. Celeste, bruised and scratched, stood by and smiled while Domenico was booked for felorious assault and sent to a cell. A warrant was out for him.

CANADA WANTS AN ATTACHE. England Can't Represent Her Properly at Washington.

Dr. Arthur Lemieux, brother of Rodolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-General of Canada, was popular with the American passengers who arrived with him yester day by the French liner La Touraine. Dr. Lemieux is not an advocate of the annexation of Canada to the United States but he is earnestly in favor of closer commercial and social relations between the two countries. He said it was not possible for the old country or for Londo to understand the diplomatio needs of Canada, because London was not in touch with America as Canada was. London was unable to help Canada in its relations, diplomatic, commercial and social, with America because there did not exist the mutual interests that must of necessity be between two very near neighbors. It was a mistake to carry on the diplomatic intercourse between the United States and Canada through London's representative at Washington. Canada should insist on having her own representative in Washington. This would bring about a greater cordiality between Canada and the United States and assist in the building up of a commerce that would be mutually beneficial. Nobody knew so well what Canada wanted as the Canadians themselves. Canada, because London was not in touch

FIREBOAT BACK AT ST. GEORGE. Staten Islanders Get the Zophar Mills Again-Was Away Three Weeks.

The fire boat Zophar Mills, under command of Capt, Gorgen, returned to its station at St. George, Staten Island, late on Saturday night after a three weeks absence. During that time it was stationed at the foot of Gansevoort street, Manhattan. The Staten Islanders objected when it was ordered to duty in Manhattan. The fire fighting craft had all it could do yesterday to weather the angry seas on the Staten Island shores. The fire boat Zophar Mills, under com-

Hartridge and His Family in a Taxi Spill. A taxicab in which Clifford W. Hartridge, the lawyer, his two children, Harridge, the lawyer, his two children, Harriet, 12 years old, and Jessie, 9, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Russell, were riding on Broadway on Saturday afternoon was struck by another automobile at Seventy-second street. A horse and carriage crashed into the two machines and added to the confusion.

All the occupants of the taxicab were thrown out and Mr. Hartridge received a severe bruise on the left shoulder. Mrs. Russell and the children were scared but not hurt.

Gas Overcomes Two Sisters.

Two sisters, Catherine Casey, 50 years old, and Elizabeth, ds, were found account of the grave condition of H. conscious in their room at 39 Bedford street yesterday. Gas was escaping from a stove. The table was set for dinner. The women were taken to St. Vincent's at her home at Shelburne, Vt.

TEACHERS OF ENGLISH TO MEET. MATHEWSON TO BE NAMED Comptroller-Elect Prendergast Scients

> Comptroller-elect Prendergast will appoint Douglas Mathewson, a Bronx lawyer, as second deputy. Mr. Mathewson is a Republican. He will succeed N. Taylor Phillips and will have charge of the legal work of the Finance Department.

Tammany Hall had strong hopes that Comptroller Prendergast would retain Deputy Phillips as he was strongly in-dorsed by large financial interests.

Mr. Mathewson is 39 years old. He is a member of the New York county Republican committee and has been active in politics for a good many years. He is president of the Park Republican Club in the Thirty-fifth Assembly district. Reserved a term in the Assembly and rantwice for City Court Judge, but was defeated. He was an Assistant Corporation

twice for City Court Judge, but was defeated. He was an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Low administration. He was a Republican candidate for nomination as President of the Borough of the Bronx Bar Association.

Comptroller-elect Prendergast will leave to-day for Lakewood, where he will spend most of the week resting. He has completed the selection of his subordinates, but probably will not make the appointments public until he takes office. He is much improved in health.

COOK CONFESSES SHE STOLE. Had Plunder in Her Room-Arrest May Clear Up New Jersey Robberles.

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 26 .- The police of this city this afternoon arrested Augusta Beike. 26 years old, who was employed until to-day as cook at the residence of Walter H. Hildricks of 61 Watson avenue. She has confessed to the theft of a diamond earring belonging to Mrs. George Crawford, a guest of the Hildrick's home, and in a search of he effects this afternoon Sergt. Henry J. Hector and Detective David Wendell found silver spoons which the woman is alleged to have admitted she stole from a Nutley residence while employed there.

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The police say that they believe there are a number of other robberies which the prisoner may be able to explain, and for that reason she may not be arraigned to -morrow morning before Recorder Nott. It is the belief of the police that the prisoner is not alone in her thefts.

Mrs. Crawford missed the earring on Friday, but at first believed she had mislaid it, as its mate lay in full sight on her dressing case for a whole day. A careful search convinced her, however, that some one had taken it and the police were notified this afternoon. The trinket is valued at \$150.

PORTUGUESE LABOR FAT LS. New Arrivals in Hawall Refuse to Work

on the Plantations. HONOLULU, Dec. 17, via San Francis Dec. 26.—When the immigrant ship Swanley arrived from the Azores last Tuesday with only 874 Portuguese instead of 2,500 expected the Board of Immigration and the sugar planters were inclin

arrivals declined to go to work on planta-tions, preferring to go with their relatives and friends to the sunny slopes of the Punch Bowl and live as city residents. The new arrivals were persuaded not to fulfil their contracts by Portuguese here who were imported several years ago and who are now small shopkeepers and laborers in Honolulu. The result is that probably no more Portuguese will be imported to work on sugar plantations.

WOMAN BURNED IN HOTEL. Nightdress Caught Fire While Man She

Registered With Was Out-Dies. A man and a woman went to the Hotel Irvington, at 1 Irving place, at 7 o'clock yesterday morning and registered as "Mr. and Mrs. J. Werner, Jersey City." They were assigned to room 10. A few minutes later the man came downstairs and said

he was going out to a barber shop.

At half past 8 Thomas Pitman, a hall-boy, heard screams coming from room 10. He and the clerk broke in the door and He and the clerk broke in the door and found the woman trying to quench flames which were burning her nightdress.

Pitman seized a quilt and smothered the fire but the woman was badly burned. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital, where she died at 3 o'clock. She was conscious for a short time and said that her real name was Bella Morris and that she lived at 132 East Seventeenth street.

The man returned to the hotel after the woman had been taken to the hospital. Upon learning of the accident he said that he would go to see her, but he did not.

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